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### TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith for the patent application identified above entitled MEDICATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM are the following:

- 1. Supplemental Petition Under 37 C.F.R §1.181 (18 pages)
- 2. Exhibits A-H and J-N (13 Exhibits- 5 pages)
- 3. Copy of Original Petition To Withdraw Abandonment dated 4/14/2005 (including docket report) (5 pages)
- 4. Petition for Revival of an Application for Patent Abandoned Unintentionally Under 37 CFR 1.137(b) (2 pages)

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Respectfully submitted, G. N. Holland, et al

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### SUPPLEMENTAL PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.181 AND MPEP

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Dear Sir:

This supplemental petition is submitted in connection with Applicants' Petition filed on April 14, 2005 seeking withdrawal of the holding of abandonment of the above-referenced application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181(a) and MPEP 711.03(c)(I)(A). To date, Applicant has received no response to our original petition (Copy

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#### Additional Information & Background

In addition to the facts previously attested to in the aforementioned Petition filed on April 14, 2005, which facts are expressly incorporated by reference herein, the Applicants aver that the following information supports this Petition.

- 1. Hospira, Inc. originally was formed as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Abbott Laboratories in preparation for the spin-off of Hospira, Inc. from Abbott Laboratories. Hospira, Inc. was legally spun off from Abbott Laboratories on April 30, 2004 and since that date has been an independent corporation.
- 2. On January 13, 2004, Brian R. Woodworth, Reg. No. 33, 137, who at the time was a patent attorney of record for Abbott Laboratories, Customer Number 23492, filed a request for a new customer number in anticipation of the spin-off. See Exhibit A. The undersigned attorney also was a patent attorney of record for Abbott Laboratories, Customer Number 23492, as of January 13, 2004.
- 3. On March 8, 2004, Mr. Woodworth received a Notice of Customer Number Assignment via facsimile from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Electronic Business Center ("EBC") stating that the Customer Number 41155 had been assigned to Abbott Laboratories Hospital Products, Department 377, Building AP6A, 100 Abbott Park Road, Abbott Park, IL 60064-6008. Mr. Woodworth and the

undersigned attorney were listed as attorneys of record for Customer Number 41155. See Exhibit B.

- 4. On April 13, 2004, Mr. Woodworth submitted by Express Mail to the EBC a spreadsheet (on a CD) together with a request for a customer number batch update to transfer certain patents and pending patent applications from Customer Number 23492 into Customer Number 41155. The electronic spreadsheet identified the patents and pending patent applications that were to be assigned to Hospira, Inc. by Abbott Laboratories in connection with the spin-off of Hospira, Inc. Evidence of this submission and the relevant portions of the spreadsheet are shown in Exhibit C.
- 5. On April 29, 2004, after the correspondence address and telephone number for Hospira, Inc. were established, Mr. Woodworth submitted via facsimile to the EBC a Request for Customer Number Data Change for the purpose of changing the correspondence address and telephone number for Customer Number 41155. The specified correspondence address for Customer Number 41155 was: Hospira, Inc., 275 N. Field Drive, Dept. NLEG, Bldg H-1, Lake Forest, IL 60045-2579. See Exhibit D.
- 6. On April 30, 2004, the EBC mailed a Notice of Customer Number Record Change to Hospira, Inc. This notice was erroneous in two respects. First, it listed the Customer Number as 41165 rather than 41155. Second, it listed the correct street address for Hospira, Inc. but was addressed to an individual named Bradley Alan Silen rather than to Brian R. Woodworth. The undersigned attorney avers that Bradley Alan Silen was not and is not an authorized agent of Hospira, Inc., and that Bradley Alan Silen does not currently appear on the USPTO web

site list of registered patent agents and attorneys. See Exhibit E.

- 7. On May 4, 2004, Mr. Woodworth sent a fax to the EBC to inform them of the errors in the USPTO generated Notice of Customer Number Change and to request correction. See Exhibit G. Although the outgoing fax machine confirmed successful transmission of this fax, Hospira, Inc. never received a reply from the USPTO.
- 8. In April 2004, Abbott Laboratories created a copy or "clone" of a portion of its Master Data Center IPMaster docketing database for the purpose of creating a separate docketing database for patents and patent applications to be assigned to Hospira, Inc. by Abbott Laboratories in connection with the spin-off of Hospira, Inc. from Abbott Laboratories. Upon creation of the separate docketing database for patents and patent applications to be assigned to Hospira, Inc., Abbott Laboratories ceased patent-related docketing for such patents and patent In order to ensure that Abbott applications. Laboratories did not continue to undertake patent docketing for these patents and patent applications, Abbott Laboratories included a notation in its IPMaster database for each patent and patent application to be assigned to Hospira, Inc.
- 9. In recognition of the likelihood that correspondence relating to patents and patent applications to be assigned (and subsequently assigned) to Hospira, Inc. may continue to be received by Abbott Laboratories despite the above-enumerated efforts by Hospira, Inc., Abbott Laboratories and Hospira, Inc. entered into an oral agreement pursuant to which Abbott Laboratories agreed to forward to Hospira, Inc. all correspondence received by

Abbott Laboratories that related to the patents and patent applications assigned to Hospira, Inc.

- 10. In order to fulfill its oral agreement with Hospira, Inc., Abbott Laboratories created a new, dedicated mail bin for all patent-related correspondence received by Abbott Laboratories that related to patents and patent applications assigned to Hospira, Inc. See Exhibit F. The policies and procedures of Abbott Laboratories are set forth in the Declaration of Katrina M. Williams, attached hereto as Exhibit H.
- 11. Hospira, Inc. regularly received from Abbott
  Laboratories correspondence sent by the U.S. Patent and
  Trademark Office to Abbott Laboratories that related
  patents and patent applications assigned to Hospira, Inc.
  The undersigned has no reason to believe that all
  correspondence sent by the U.S. Patent and Trademark
  Office to Abbott Laboratories that related to any of the
  patents and patent applications assigned to Hospira, Inc.
  was not forwarded by Abbott Laboratories to Hospira, Inc.
  in accordance with the oral agreement between Abbott
  Laboratories and Hospira, Inc.
- 12. All patent-related correspondence received by Hospira, Inc., including patent-related correspondence forwarded to Hospira, Inc. by Abbott Laboratories, was reviewed and docketed by Hospira, Inc. patent personnel in accordance with internal policies and procedures.
- 13. On April 30, 2004, Abbott Laboratories executed an assignment transferring certain pending patent applications to Hospira, Inc., including, but not limited to, the above-referenced application. On July 28, 2004,

Hospira, Inc. submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office a request for recordation of this assignment.

- 14. On July 28, 2004, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office recorded on Reel 014921, Frame 0536, the above-referenced assignment transferring pending patent applications, including the present application, from Abbott Laboratories to Hospira, Inc.
- 15. On April 30, 2004, Abbott Laboratories executed an assignment transferring certain granted U.S. patents to Hospira, Inc. On July 19, 2005, Hospira, Inc. submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office a request for recordation this assignment. Because of the large number of granted patents involved, this request was made in two batches.
- 16. On July 19, 2005, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office recorded on Reel 016536, Frames 0728 and 0910, the above-referenced assignment transferring granted U.S. patents from Abbott Laboratories to Hospira, Inc.
- 17. Throughout the late spring and summer of 2004, Hospira, Inc. regularly received patent-related correspondence for its patents and patent applications. Some of the patent-related correspondence received by Hospira, Inc. during this period was addressed to Abbott Laboratories and forwarded from Abbott Laboratories in accordance with the above-identified oral agreement.
- 18. Among the patent-related correspondence received by Hospira, Inc. during this period was a Filing Receipt Notice mailed May 13, 2004 for the present application. This Filing Receipt Notice was addressed to Abbott Laboratories and was received by Abbott Laboratories on

- May 18, 2004. The Filing Receipt Notice was forwarded to Hospira, Inc. by Abbott Laboratories in accordance with the oral agreement between Abbott Laboratories and Hospira, Inc.
- 19. When Hospira, Inc. received the Filing Receipt Notice mailed May 13, 2004 for the present application, the Filing Receipt Notice was docketed in Hospira's IPMaster docketing database and the correspondence was placed into the file for the present application. Upon receipt of the Filing Receipt Notice mailed May 13, 2004 for the present application, Hospira, Inc. did not include an entry in its IPMaster docketing database relating to a Notice to File Missing Parts, nor did Hospira, Inc. place a Notice to File Missing Parts into the file for the present application. At no time did Hospira, Inc. include an entry in its IPMaster docketing database relating to a Notice to File Missing parts for the present application, nor did Hospira, Inc. at any time place a Notice to File Missing Parts into the file for the present application. Had Hospira, Inc. received a Notice to File Missing Parts for the present application, the Hospira, Inc. personnel responsible for handling patent-related correspondence would have docketed such Notice in Hospira, Inc.'s IPMaster docketing database and placed the correspondence in the file for the present application in accordance with Hospira, Inc.'s policies and procedures.
- 20. The undersigned attorney avers that if Hospira, Inc. had received a Notice to File Missing Parts for the present application (either directly from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office or from Abbott Laboratories), the Notice to File Missing Parts, together with the deadline for submitting the required missing parts, would have

been docketed and filed by Hospira, Inc. in accordance with Hospira, Inc.'s policies and procedures. Hospira's docketing database does not indicate that a Notice to File Missing Parts for the present application was received, nor does Hospira's docketing database identify a deadline for submitting the required missing parts. Hospira, Inc.'s file for the present application does not contain a Notice to File Missing Parts. Accordingly, the undersigned believes that the Notice to File Missing Parts allegedly mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the present application was never received by Hospira, Inc.

- 21. After April 30, 2004, the undersigned attorney lost his right to access Private PAIR and ascertain the status of patent applications that were still under the customer numbers of Abbott Laboratories.
- 22. After April 30, 2004, the undersigned attorney also was unable to access Private PAIR to ascertain the status of patent applications that were under Hospira, Inc.'s customer number. The Hospira Information Technology area was very busy throughout 2004 with other priorities associated with implementing SAP and establishing an independent IT infrastructure for Hospira, Inc. and was unable to re-establish Private PAIR access for the undersigned attorney. Due to various information technology and firewall issues at Hospira, Inc., the undersigned was unable to get Private PAIR access to patent applications under Hospira's customer number until the end of January 2005.
- 23. In the Fall of 2004, the undersigned attorney noticed that the patent-related correspondence Abbott Laboratories was forwarding to Hospira, Inc. was

addressed to the new Vice President for Patents and Trademarks of Abbott Laboratories, Robert DeBerardine. This realization prompted the undersigned to initiate an investigation for the purpose of determining the status of Hospira, Inc.'s efforts to assign certain patents and patent applications to Hospira, Inc.'s Customer Number. Up to this point in time, Hospira, Inc. had not received any notification from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office that Hospira, Inc.'s efforts to transfer its patents and patent applications to Hospira, Inc.'s Customer Number were unacceptable to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

24. Upon investigation, the undersigned determined that the EBC had not processed the Request for Customer Number Batch Update submitted by Mr. Woodworth on April 13, 2004. As shown in the attached Exhibit J, the only applications associated with Hospira, Inc.'s customer number as of December 16, 2004 were those applications filed by Hospira, Inc. after May 3, 2004, i.e., after the spin-off of Hospira, Inc. from Abbott Laboratories. undersigned contacted the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office by telephone in December 2004 and was informed that the failure of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to implement the customer number update requested by Hospira, Inc. on April 13, 2004 might be due in part to the June 25, 2004 rule change regarding the number of attorneys the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office would recognize in a given application (37 CFR 1.132(c)(3)). That is, because Mr. Woodworth was not listed among the first ten (10) attorneys identified alphabetically on the Powers of Attorney for the patents and patent applications in question, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, effective June 25, 2004, no longer recognized Mr. Woodworth's authority to undertake the actions requested

in Hospira, Inc.'s request of April 13, 2004. The undersigned attorney respectfully notes that Hospira, Inc.'s request of April 13, 2004 complied with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's policies in effect as of April 13, 2004.

- 25. On January 14, 2005, Hospira submitted by U.S. Express Mail yet another customer number batch update attempting to transfer Hospira, Inc.'s patents and patent applications into Hospira's customer number. Inc. had to secure the help and cooperation of Abbott Laboratories to make this submission. See Exhibit K. The signatories of this request were carefully selected to include Robert Deberardine, Vice President and Chief Patent Counsel for Abbott Laboratories (who replaced Steven F. Weinstock in such capacity for Abbott Laboratories, Customer Number 23492) and a patent agent, Steven R. Crowley, who had for over fifteen (15) years been included in the first ten attorneys and agents listed alphabetically in Declarations and Powers of Attorney filed in connection with Abbott Laboratories' patent applications.
- 26. Soon after the undersigned's access to Private PAIR was restored at the end of January 2005, Hospira checked the status of the customer number update request submitted January 14, 2005. To the best of the undersigned's recollection, Hospira, Inc.'s granted U.S. patents were included under Hospira, Inc.'s customer number, but Hospira, Inc.'s pending patent applications still were not included under Hospira, Inc.'s customer number. Hospira, Inc. never received any communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office indicating that it would not transfer pending patent applications into Hospira, Inc.'s customer number pursuant to the January

- 14, 2005 request for such action. In fact, Hospira, Inc. has never received any formal correspondence from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office responsive to its April 13, 2004 and January 14, 2005 requests.
- 27. Having failed in two previous attempts to effect a customer number change for all of its patents and patent applications, Hospira, Inc. began in early April 2005 the laborious process of filing Revocations and New Powers of Attorney in each of its pending U.S. patent applications to ensure that these patent applications were: (1) identified under Hospira, Inc.'s customer number; (2) available for viewing by the undersigned attorney in Private PAIR; (3) provided with the correct mailing address for Hospira, Inc.; and (4) identified as having granted to Mr. Woodworth and the undersigned the requisite power of attorney.
- 28. In early April 2005, the undersigned attorney initiated the process of preparing and filing Revocations and New Powers of Attorney for Hospira, Inc.'s 7135 and 7172 case families. This process included the step of checking the docket entries in Hospira's docketing database for these case families. As of early April 2005, Hospira, Inc.'s docketing database indicated that Hospira had received no correspondence other than a return post card and a Filing Receipt Notice for these case families. Upon reviewing Hospira, Inc.'s files for these case families, the undersigned determined that executed Declarations and Powers of Attorney had not been filed in connection with these case families.
- 29. On April 13, 2005, still being unable to access Hospira, Inc.'s 7135 and 7172 case family records through Private PAIR under Hospira, Inc.'s customer number, the

undersigned contacted a member of the Abbott Laboratories Patent and Trademark Office and requested her to see if someone at Abbott Laboratories could check Private PAIR for information on these case families since they were not available under Hospira, Inc.'s customer number.

- 30. On April 13, 2005, the undersigned received the disappointing news from Abbott Laboratories that, based upon Abbott Laboratories' review of Private PAIR, a Notice of Missing Parts and a Notice of Abandonment were apparently mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for each of the 7135 and 7172 cases. At that time, Abbott Laboratories downloaded from Private PAIR a copy of these papers and sent them via e-mail to Hospira. This was the first time that Hospira, Inc. ever received copies of these communications from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, and it was the first time that Hospira, Inc. was aware that these communications had been issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. See Exhibit L.
- 31. For the reasons set forth herein, the undersigned respectfully avers that had Abbott Laboratories received the Notice to File Missing Parts and/or the Notice of Abandonment for the present application, Abbott Laboratories procedures would have required that such correspondence be forwarded to Hospira, Inc. The undersigned further respectfully avers that had Hospira, Inc. received the Notice to File Missing Parts and/or the Notice of Abandonment, either directly from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office or from Abbott Laboratories, Hospira, Inc. would have docketed these communications in Hospira, Inc.'s IPMaster docketing database. Because these communications were not docketed in Hospira, Inc.'s IPMaster docketing database as of April 13, 2005, the undersigned attorney believes that (i) the Notice to File

Missing Parts and the Notice of Abandonment for the present application were never received by Hospira, Inc.; and (ii) the Notice to File Missing Parts and the Notice of Abandonment for the present application were never received by Abbott Laboratories.

- 32. On April 14, 2005, the undersigned filed via facsimile a Petition to Withdraw the Holding of Abandonment under MPEP 711.03(c)(I)(A) for the present application and requested that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office mail a new Notice of Missing Parts to Hospira, Inc. and reset the time for response thereto. Given that Hospira, Inc. had sole docketing responsibility for its patents and patent applications, and given that Abbott Laboratories regularly forwarded to Hospira, Inc. patent-related correspondence received by Abbott Laboratories for Hospira, Inc.'s patents and patent applications, the undersigned included in this Petition what he believed in good faith to be the pertinent facts necessary to satisfy the requirements of MPEP 711.03(c)(I)(A).
- 33. On May 31, 2005, the undersigned's assistant, Robin Evans, contacted Abbott Laboratories and requested that they check Private PAIR to determine the status of the Petition filed on April 14, 2005. This request was made because Hospira, Inc. at that time was still unable to determine the Private PAIR the status of some of Hospira, Inc.'s pending applications filed before May 3, 2004. On May 31, 2005, Abbott Laboratories informed Ms. Evans and the undersigned attorney that the Petition filed on April 14, 2005 had been scanned by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on April 14, 2004, but that no action had yet been undertaken on the Petition. See Exhibit M.

- 34. On June 16, 2005, the undersigned submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark assignments of the present application from the inventors to Abbott Laboratories to complete the missing link in the chain of title from the inventors to Abbott Laboratories. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office confirmed that the assignment was recorded on June 16, 2005 on Reel 016344, Frame 0746. As stated above, the assignment of the present application from Abbott Laboratories to Hospira, Inc. was previously recorded by Hospira, Inc.
- 35. On August 3, 2005, the undersigned submitted: (i) a Revocation of Prior Power and New Power of Attorney for the present application; and (ii) a Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73 (b in a further effort to provide Mr. Woodworth and the undersigned, the attorneys associated with Hospira, Inc.'s Customer Number 41155, with power of attorney for the present application, and in an effort to ensure that future correspondence from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office relating to the present application be sent directly to Hospira, Inc.
- 36. On August 31, 2005, the undersigned submitted via facsimile a Response to the Notice of Missing Parts with the \$130 surcharge and submitted via First Class Mail an Information Disclosure Statement for the present application.
- 37. On August 22, 2005, the undersigned received the New Attorney's copies of a Notice of Acceptance of Change of Power of Attorney and a Notice Regarding Change of Power of Attorney mailed August 18, 2005 from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. On August 29, 2005 Hospira also received from Abbott Laboratories a piece of correspondence sent by the U.S. Patent and Trademark

Office to Abbott Laboratories for the purpose of informing Abbott Laboratories that it had been designated as a Former Attorney in connection with the present case. The undersigned notes that this is yet another example of the fact that Abbott Laboratories has consistently forwarded to Hospira, Inc. all patent-related correspondence relating to patents and patent applications assigned by Abbott Laboratories to Hospira, Inc., notwithstanding the fact that such correspondence was, in fact, intended for Abbott Laboratories.

- 38. On September 30, 2005, the undersigned filed a written status inquiry via facsimile in an attempt to ascertain the status of the Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment filed April 14, 2005. See Exhibit N. The undersigned received no response from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office regarding this status inquiry.
- 39. Having received no response from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office regarding the above-mentioned status inquiry, in January of 2006, the undersigned had his assistant, Robin Evans, telephone the Office of Initial Patent Examination to further inquire of the status of the present application and in particular the status of the Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment filed April 14, 2005.

#### ARGUMENT/REMARKS

Mr. Woodworth notified the USPTO of a change of customer number on April 13, 2004 and a change of address on April 29, 2004. It is important to note that at that time Mr. Woodworth and Mr. Crabb (who filed the instant application) were both attorneys of record under Abbott Laboratories' customer number and under what would become Hospira's customer number. Both the undersigned and Mr. Woodworth were named in the power of attorney section of the unsigned declaration, a transmittal paper submitted with the original application. If timely handled by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office under the rules (37 C.F.R. §1.33(a)(1)) in effect at the time of submission, Hospira, Inc.'s submissions of April 13, 2004 and April 29, 2004 were adequate to change the correspondence address of record for the present application to Hospira's customer number address. Similarly, Hospira, Inc.'s submission of January 14, 2005 was adequate to change the correspondence address of record for the present application to Hospira's customer number address.

Hospira, Inc. has been adversely affected by the failure of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to accurately and timely process Hospira, Inc.'s customer number change requests. Hospira, Inc. also has been adversely affected by the lack of response by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to consider the initial Petition to Withdraw the Holding of Abandonment and the failure of the USPTO to respond to status inquiries regarding such petition.

The file wrapper history, as well as the information supplied above and/or in the attached exhibits, clearly shows that: 1) the abandonment of the present application was at least unintentional, if not unavoidable; and 2) Applicants have acted diligently and without delay to try

to revive the application once the abandonment was discovered. A statement in the form required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b) is enclosed:

The undersigned has worked diligently to follow up and expedite the revival of this application. Once made aware of the Notice of Missing Parts, Applicants filed a response to the same despite not having received a response from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to Applicants' Petition to Withdraw the Holding of Abandonment and reset the date for response. Applicants have continued to file papers with respect to this case, despite the lack of a response on the part of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

The undersigned has in good faith taken considerable care to include and accurately portray all of the relevant facts to the Office of Petitions in this supplemental petition.

If the examining attorney finds that any portion of this paper, including any exhibit or enclosure, has been made difficult to read because of scanning or transmission by facsimile, the examining attorney is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone to obtain a more legible copy by e-mail or other means.

In the transmittal letter accompanying this paper, Applicants authorized the Commissioner to debit Hospira, Inc.'s Deposit Account No. 50-3118 for payment of the \$1500 fee for revival under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b). No further fees are believed to be due in connection with this paper. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge (or credit overpayment of) any fees required with this communication to Deposit Account No. 50-3118.

In conclusion, Applicants respectfully request that the holding of abandonment be withdrawn for this

application and that examination proceed in the normal course.

Customer No. 41155

HOSPIRA, INC.

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Respectfully submitted, G. N. Holland, et al.

Michael R. Crabb

Registration No. 37,298 Attorney for Applicants

# Exhibit A

# Request for Customer Number January 13, 2004

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Firm Name (if applicable) Abbott Laboratories
Name of person submitting request Brian R. Woodworth
Signature L. hboolwooth
Telephone Number 847/938-5386 Date 1/13/04

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.33. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Mail Stop EBC, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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# Exhibit B

# Notice Of Customer Number Assignment March 8, 2004





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CUSTOMER NUMBER:

41155

CORRESPONDENCE

ADDRESS:

ABBOTT LABORATORIES HOSPITAL PRODUCTS DEPARTMENT 377, BUILDING AP6A 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD **ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6008** 

FAX:

847-938-2623

PHONE:

847-938-5386

E-MAIL:

Date Mailed: 03/08/2004

### NOTICE OF CUSTOMER NUMBER ASSIGNMENT

The request to assign a "Customer Number" to the above-identified Correspondence Address and Practitioner Registration Number(s) indicated below has been accepted by the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks.

The Customer Number as assigned above may be used to identify the correspondence address or "fee address" for, and/or the appointed practitioner(s) in, a United States patent application or patent.

PRACTITIONER REGISTRATION NUMBER(S) ASSIGNED TO THAT CUSTOMER NUMBER:

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Patents Electronic Business Center (703) 305-3028

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# Exhibit C

# Request for Customer Number Batch Update April 13, 2004



Patent and Trademark Department D-377/AP6A-1 Abbott Laboratories 100 Abbott Park Road Abbott Park, Illinois 60064-6008 USA Telephone: 847-937-8989 Fax: 847-938-2623

April 13, 2004

Mail Stop EBC Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria VA 22313-1450

Re: Customer Number Batch Update

Dear Commissioner for Patents:

Please associate the customer number "41155" with the correspondence address or the fee address, as shown on the attached spreadsheet.

For each application listed on the attached spreadsheet, I am an Attorney or Agent of Record.

Printed Name / Signature

Registration Number

Brian R. Woodworth

33,137

Date:

April 13, 2004

Telephone Number: 847-938-5386

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Recognizing that Internet communications are not secure, I hereby authorize the USPTO to communicate with me concerning any subject matter of this customer number update request by electronic mail. I understand that a copy of the confirmation of the change of address, but not the e-mailed confirmation, will be made of record in the application file(s).

E-mail Address: brian.woodworth@abbott.com

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# Exhibit D

# Request for Customer Number Data Change April 29, 2004



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## Request for **Customer Number Data Change**

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To the Commissioner for Patents:  41155								
Please record the following data changes to Customer Number:								
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Individual Name	Hospira, Inc.							
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Country	United States							
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# Exhibit E

# Notice of Customer Number Data Change April 30, 2004



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**CUSTOMER** 

41165

NUMBER:

CORRESPONDENCE

ADDRESS:

**BRADLEY ALAN SILEN** 275 N. FIELD DRIVE DEPT. NLEG BLDG H-1 LAKE FOREST, IL 60045-2579

FAX:

PHONE:

224-212-2895

E-MAIL:

Date Mailed: 04/30/2004

#### NOTICE OF CUSTOMER NUMBER RECORD CHANGE

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The Customer Number may be used to identify the correspondence address or "fee address" for, and/or the appointed practitioner(s) in, a United States patent application or patent. The correspondence address and registration numbers indicated on this notice reflect the current correpondence address and registration numbers associated with the above-identified Customer Number.

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Patents Electronic Business Center (703) 305-3028

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# Exhibit F

# Hospira Inc. Mail Bin Notification April 29, 2004

### Crabb, Michael

From:

Aguilar, Mercedes E LN

Sent:

Thursday, April 29, 2004 5:18 PM

To:

CORP\_Legal\_P&T\_Attorney\_Abbott Park@ABBOTT; CORP\_Legal\_P&T\_Support\_Abbott

Park@ABBOTT

Subject:

Hospira Inc Mail Bin

#### Greetings,

A new mail bin has been added to our mail station for the Hospira group. The AST will forward their mail on a daily basis, just as it is done for all of the other remote sites.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or anyone in the AST.

Thank you,

Mercedes

### Exhibit G

## Request for Correction of Customer Number Data May 4, 2004

fax



To: Patents Electronic Business Center

From: Brian R. Woodworth

Company:

**USPTO** 

Tel:

224-212-2068

Fax:

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Dear Sir,

We received the attached letter from your office regarding our request for Customer Number Data Change. The attached letter has the <u>wrong</u> "Customer Number" and "Attorney".

We have attached a copy of your correspondence, with the changes noted. If you have any Questions, or need any other information, please contact my assistant Robin Evans at (224) 212-2068.

Brian R. Woodworth Reg. No. 33,137



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**CUSTOMER** 

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CORRESPONDENCE

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BRADLEY ALAN SILEN Should be -> Brian R. Woodworth 275 N. FIELD DRIVE DEPT. NLEG BLDG H-1 LAKE FOREST, IL 60045-2579

FAX:

PHONE:

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E-MAIL: Drian woodworth @ hospira wom

Date Mailed: 04/30/2004

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Hospira Inc. 275 North Field Drive Dept. 015N, Bldg. LFCP4-1 Lake Forest, IL 60064 www.hospira.com

### Exhibit H

### Declaration of Katrina M. Williams May 30, 2006

### DECLARATION OF KATRINA M. WILLIAMS

- I have been handling patent docketing for the Patent & Trademark Department of Abbott Laboratories since November of 2000.
- 2. My job responsibilities include the review and handling of all patent-related correspondence received by Abbott Laboratories from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. I also am responsible for docketing all patent-related correspondence received by Abbott Laboratories from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Abbott Laboratories has been utilizing the Master Data Center IPMaster docketing system since prior to January 1, 2004.
- 3. Prior to April 30, 2004, Abbott Laboratories created a copy or "clone" database for patents and patent applications that were to be assigned to Hospira, Inc. at the time Hospira, Inc. was separated from Abbott Laboratories.
- 4. After the creation of this clone database, Abbott Laboratories ceased patent-related docketing for patents and patent applications that were to be assigned to Hospira, Inc. In order to ensure that Abbott Laboratories did not continue to undertake patent docketing for these patents and patent applications, Abbott Laboratories included a notation in the IPMaster database for each patent and patent application to be assigned to Hospira, Inc.
- 5. Recognizing that correspondence from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office relating to patents and patent applications to be assigned (and subsequently assigned) to Hospira, Inc. may continue to be received

- by Abbott Laboratories, Abbott Laboratories and Hospira, Inc. entered into an oral agreement pursuant to which Abbott Laboratories agreed to forward to Hospira, Inc. all correspondence received by Abbott Laboratories that related to patents and patent applications assigned to Hospira, Inc.
- 6. In order to fulfill its oral agreement with Hospira, Inc., Abbott Laboratories created a new, dedicated mail bin for all patent-related correspondence received by Abbott Laboratories that related to patents and patent applications assigned to Hospira, Inc.
- 7. Pursuant to the oral agreement between Abbott Laboratories and Hospira, Inc., when patent-related correspondence relating to patents and patent applications assigned to Hospira, Inc. was received by Abbott Laboratories, the serial number and/or attorney docket number on the correspondence was checked against the Abbott Laboratories IPMaster docketing database to determine if the correspondence related to a patent or patent application that had been assigned to Hospira, Inc. If the correspondence related to a patent or patent application that had been assigned to Hospira, Inc., the correspondence was placed in the designated mail bin for Hospira and forwarded to Hospira on a regular basis. Abbott Laboratories attempted to forward all such correspondence to Hospira, Inc. within one or two days of such correspondence being placed in the dedicated mail bin.
- 8. The above-outlined arrangement and practice was in place in May of 2004, when Filing Receipt Notices for the following patent applications were mailed by the

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to Abbott Laboratories:

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10/783,877	7172USO1	05/25/2004
10/783,642	7135USO2	05/20/2004
10/783,640	7135USO3	05/18/2004
10/783,648	7135USO7	05/18/2004

I have reviewed the Filing Receipt Notices for each of these patent applications and have confirmed that they have been marked with an Abbott Laboratories in-coming mail date-of-receipt stamp. Because these Filing Receipt Notices are currently in the possession of Hospira, Inc., I am confident that these Filing Receipt Notices were forwarded to Hospira by Abbott Laboratories in accordance with the above-outlined arrangement and practice.

- 9. Had Notices of Missing Parts been enclosed with any of the above-referenced Filing Receipt Notices received by Abbott Laboratories, or had Notices of Missing Parts been received separately for any of the above-referenced patent applications, such correspondence would have been placed in the dedicated mail bin and forwarded to Hospira, Inc.
- 10.Had Abbott Laboratories received Notices of
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  applications such correspondence would have been
  placed in the dedicated mail bin and forwarded to
  Hospira, Inc.
- 11.I have no personal knowledge of any situation in which patent-related correspondence from the U.S. Patent and

Trademark Office relating to patents and patent applications assigned to Hospira, Inc. was not handled in accordance with the above-outlined arrangement and practice.

All of the above statements made of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true.

I acknowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both (18 U.S.C. 1001) and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

May 30, 2006

Kathira M. Williams
Katrina M. Williams

### Exhibit J

### E-mail from Electronic Business Center December 16, 2004

#### Crabb, Michael

From:

EBC [EBC@USPTO.GOV]

Sent:

Thursday, December 16, 2004 11:30 AM

To:

Crabb. Michael

Cc: Subject: Evans, Robin; Woodworth, Brian Re: Attn: Bridgett [X200412160728]

Attachments:

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Michael,

Per your request attached are the applications associated with your customer number.

Thank you Bridgette

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From: C

Crabb, Michael

Thursday, December 16, 2004 11:47 AM

To: EBC

Sent:

Subject:

Attn: Bridgett

Dear Bridgett,

We thought of another possible solution to the power of attorney/mailing address problem on our cases that we discussed with you earlier by telephone.

Would it be possible for you to send us an email listing all of the cases currently associated with our customer number 41155?

We can then check that list against our docketing database to quickly identify the cases that might have been rejected from our earlier submitted customer number change and work with our friends at Abbott Laboratories to get the Power of Attorney/Address problems resolved.

This will save your office the time and energy necessary to reprocess the entire customer number transfer request and identify the "rejected" cases.

Let me know if you cannot provide us with the list requested and we will proceed, as you suggested, to resubmit the customer number transfer request that we Express Mailed on 4/13/2004.

Thank you for your assistance.

Michael R. Crabb, Counsel (Registration No. 37, 298) Hospira, Inc.

Dept. NLEG, Bldg. H-1 275 N. Field Drive Lake Forest, IL 60045-2579 224-212-2889 Telephone 224-212-2088 Facsimile michael.crabb@hospira.com

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### Second Request for Customer Number Batch Update December 29, 2004



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December 29, 2004

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For each application listed on the attached spreadsheet, I am an Attorney or Agent of Record.

Printed Name / Signature

Registration Number

Robert DeBerardine

32,853

Steven R. Crowley

31,604

December 27, 2004

Telephone Number: 847-937-6364

Date:

Recognizing that Internet communications are not secure, I hereby authorize the USPTO to communicate with me concerning any subject matter of this customer number update request by electronic mail. I understand that a copy of the confirmation of the change of address, but not the e-mailed confirmation, will be made of record in the application file(s).

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### Exhibit L

### Private Pair Status Checks for 7135USXX Cases From Abbott Laboratories April 13, 2005

#### zvans, Robin

From:

Iorio, Kimberly A LN

Sent:

Wednesday, April 13, 2005 3:02 PM

To:

Casuto, Dianne LN

Cc:

Crabb, Michael; Evans, Robin

Subject:

Re: Private PAIR Status Checks for 7135US01-07 and 7172US01

#### Hi Mike:

Attached please find the Missing Parts and Abandonment Notices (downloaded from the USPTO) for each of the below listed cases:















10783641[1] (7135US01).pdf

10783642[1] (7135US02).pdf

10783640[1] (7135US03).pdf

10783649[1] (7135US04).pdf

10783573[1] (7135US05).pdf

10783792[1] (7135US06).pdf







10783877[1] (7172US01).pdf

I checked with docketing and was informed that all documents received for Hospira are sent daily by Federal Express to Brian at 275 North Field Drive, Dept. NLEG, Bldg. H-1, Lake Forest, IL 60045.

If you have problems opening the attachments or need anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thanks Kim

Kimberly A. Iorio Legal Assistant to Dianne Casuto Abbott Laboratories Patent & Trademark Department

Ph: (847) 937-6369 FAX: (847) 938-2623

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Dianne Casuto 04/13/2005 12:31 PM

To: MICHAEL CRABB/HPD/Abbott@Exchange cc: ROBIN

EVANS/HPD/Abbott@Exchange, Kimberly A Iorio/LAKE/CORP/ABBOTT@ABBOTT Subject: Re: Private PAIR Status Checks for



Kimberly A Iorio

7135US01-07 and 7172US01

Hi Mike! Hope everyone is doing well out there!

No, nothing like this ever happens to the mundane cases; only to the important ones!

I have had a continuing problem maintaining Private Pair but my assistant Kim has access. I'll ask her to access it and try to print off the records. We'll then fax them to you.

Sincerely, Dianne

Dianne Casuto Counsel Abbott Laboratories Phone: (847) 938-3137 Fax: (847) 938-2623

E-mail: dianne.casuto@abbott.com

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MICHAEL CRABB/HPD/Abbott@Exchange 04/13/2005 09:50 AM

To: Dianne

Casuto/LAKE/CORP/ABBOTT@ABBOTT cc: ROBIN EVANS/HPD/Abbott@Exchange Subject: Private PAIR Status Checks for 7135US01-07 and 7172US01

Diane,

Greetings from Hospira!

Do you or does someone else at Abbott still have access to Private PAIR? If so, we could really use some urgent help in resolving an apparent abandonment situation on several of our more important patent applications. Does stuff like this ever happen to the more mundane, less important applications?

Anyway, could you check Private PAIR and fax me a printout of the records for the following applications, which according to the USPTO are still for Abbott's eyes only:

7135US01	10/783641
7135US02	10/783642
7135US03	10/783640
7135US04	10/783649
7135USO5	10/783573
7135USO6	10/783792
7135USO7	10/783648
7172USO1	10/783877

All of these applications were filed on 2/20/04. We suspect that we never received a Notice of Missing Parts for each of these cases. Subsequently, there may also have been a Notice of Abandonment that we did not receive. If obtainable through Private PAIR, please send us a copy of these documents from each of the cases, too.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks a lot!

Michael R. Crabb, Counsel Hospira, Inc. Dept. NLEG, Bldg. H-1 275 N. Field Drive Lake Forest, IL 60045-2579 224-212-2889 Telephone 224-212-2088 Facsimile michael.crabb@hospira.com

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### Exhibit M

### Private Pair Status Checks for 7135USXX Cases From Abbott Laboratories May 31, 2005

#### Evans, Robin

From:

Iorio, Kimberly A LN

Sent:

Tuesday, May 31, 2005 12:58 PM

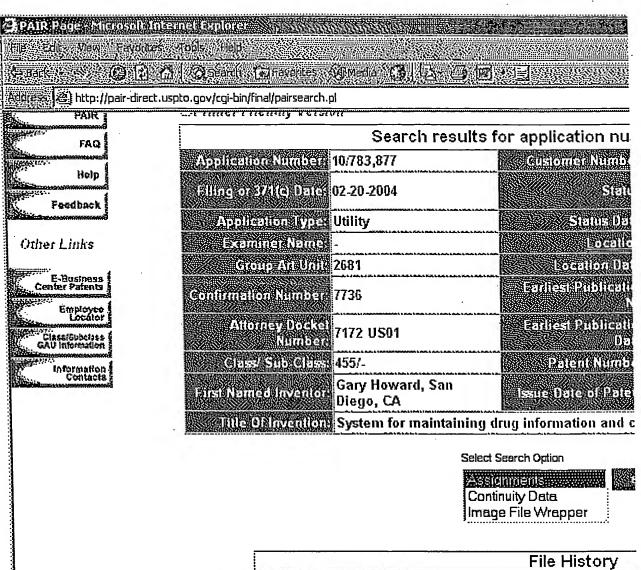
To: Cc: Evans, Robin Crabb, Michael

Subject:

RE: Private PAIR Status Check on 7135 Cases

Hi Robin:

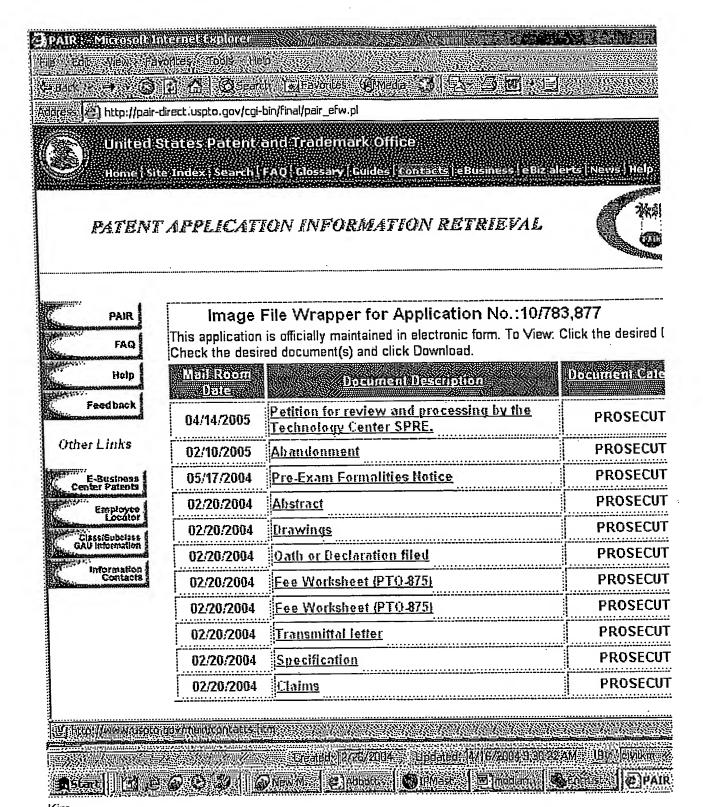
I went into each case file wrapper and opened each document, that is how I was able to confirm that the petitions were scanned in on April 14. In the file history section it does not show the petition. Here is an example of the file history:



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02-20-2004	Initial Exam Team nn



here is the file wrapper: (each case I opened read the same)



Kim

ROBIN EVANS/HPD/Abbott@Exchange 05/31/2005 12:25 PM To: Kimberly A

lorio/LAKE/CORP/ABBOTT@ABBOTT cc: MICHAEL CRABB/HPD/Abbott@Exchange Subject: RE: Private PAIR Status Check on 7135 Cases

We sent them our petition to withdraw abandonment on April 14. So, I'm assuming that, is what was scanned into their system. Could you possibly check the image file wrapper just on one case to ensure that is what was scanned? I'd appreciate it.

Thanks so much for your help.

----Original Message----

From:

Iorio, Kimberly A LN

Sent:

Tuesday, May 31, 2005 12:19 PM

To:

Evans, Robin

Cc:

Crabb, Michael; Vrioni, Beth A LN

Subject:

Re: Private PAIR Status Check on 7135 Cases

Hi Robin:

I checked each application and they were all scanned into their system on April 14, 2005; however, no other action has taken place since then. Status still remains Abandoned.

Let me know if you need anything else.

Take care,

Kim

ROBIN EVANS/HPD/Abbott@Exchange 05/31/2005 11:05 AM To: Kimberly A

lorio/LAKE/CORP/ABBOTT@ABBOTT cc: MICHAEL CRABB/HPD/Abbott@Exchange Subject: Private PAIR Status Check on 7135 Cases

Hi Kim,

Could we once again, ask your assistance in finding out the status of the below listed patent applications. You checked for us in

April and found that they were abandoned. We have since, sent in a petition to Withdraw Abandonment and would like to know if the status has changed. They are still under Abbott's Customer number, so we cannot check Private Pair ourselves.

7135US01	10/783641
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7135US03	10/783640
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7135USO6	10/783792
7135USO7	10/783648
7172USO1	10/783877

Thanks again, for your help!

Ms. Robin Evans Hospira, Inc. 275 North Field Drive Dept. NLEG, Bldg. H1 Lake Forest, IL 60045-2579 Phone: (224) 212-2068

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Status Inquiry for Patent Application No. 10/783,648 September 30, 2005

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US Serial No. 10/783,648 Filed on February 20, 2004

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#### Practitioner's Docket No. 7135USO2

#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

G.N. Holland, et al.

Application No.:10/783,648

Group No.: 3621

Filed: 02/20/2004

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

For: MEDICATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

#### STATUS INQUIRY

- 1. No communication has been received from the Patent and Trademark Office indicating action on the Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment (for failure to receive Office Action) on patent Application No.10/783,648, which was sent via facsimile April 14, 2005.
- 2. Kindly advise the undersigned of the present status of this petition. Please send response via facsimile at (224) 212-2088.

Customer No. 41155 Hospira, Inc. NLEG, H-1 275 N. Field Drive Lake Forest, IL 60045 224-212-2088

Michael R. Crabb

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#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: G. N. Holland, et

al.

Serial No.: 10/783,648

Filed: February 20, 2004

Confirmation No.: 7354

MEDICATION MANAGEMENT Title:

SYSTEM

Case No.: 7135USO7

Group Art Unit: 3621

Examiner: TBD

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith for the patent application identified above entitled MEDICATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM are the following:

- Petition To Withdraw Holding of Abandonment Based on Failure To Receive Notice of Missing Parts (2 pages)
- Copy of Docket Record 2.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees required with this communication for which full payment had not been tendered, to Deposit Account No. 50-3118.

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